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MADISONVILLE METH DEALER PLEADS GUILTY TO DRUG DISTRIBUTION

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **RICHARD MCPHERSON**, age 46, of 231-B Pond River Colliers Road, Madisonville, Kentucky, in Hopkins County, **pled guilty** to possession with intent to distribute and distribution of methamphetamine.

The maximum potential penalties are 80 years imprisonment, a \$4,000,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of at least four years.

McPherson pled guilty and admitted that on July 17 and August 28, 2003, in Hopkins County, Kentucky, **McPherson** knowingly and intentionally possessed with the intent to distribute and distributed a total of 110.5 grams of methamphetamine, worth approximately \$12,155 on the street.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Philip C. Chance, and it was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

The plea was entered before Joseph H. McKinley, Jr., Judge, United States District Court, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Mcpherson is scheduled to be sentenced before Judge Joseph H. McKinley, Jr. on January 31, 2007, at 9:00 a.m., in Owensboro, Kentucky.

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